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Newsletter of the

HAMILTON & AREA PACKET NETWORK 2391 Arnold Crescent, Burlington, Ontario, Canada, L7P 4J2

December 11, 1981.

Hank S. Magnuski, KA6M, 311 Stanford Avenue, Menlo Park, California, 94025.

Dear Hank:

As you may be aware, we are running a bulletin board/software distribution system here. We are endeavoring to make it specific to communications systems, articles, messages and programs. To this end, we are attempting to collect as much software compatible with the VADCG board as possible. Could I ask you or one of your members to collect any local TIP and LIP routines used which you might wish to contribute to our system. We would collect all submissions and organize them to be kept on line for distribution to interested parties; therefore any proprietary software should not be sent and any copyright or credit notices should be inserted in the source files before we get them. (We will also produce a collection on diskette we can send back to you by mail to save phone charges, of course.)

Please advise me of how many single density diskettes you require to contain your software. We are also interested in any specialty TIP/Host protocols and routines developed (TRS-80 for example).

We can provide you with all the software and hardware information on our bulletin board system if you wish to implement one yourselves. Warmest personal regards for the holiday season:

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2391 Arnold Crescent, Burlington, Ontario, L7P 4J2, October 5th, 1981.

Well friends:

No- we haven't forgotten you.

We are just about ready to publish another bulletin and have another meeting, but I thought you might like some early information about what has gone on over the last few months.

The Hamilton and Area Packet Network is now getting busy again after a long summer of procrastination. The winter of 81-82 should see some very interesting developments.

So far the H.A.P.N. has implemented a Bulletin Board Service for Packet Radio related information. It is accessible both over the air (146.46 connect to VE3PKT) and over the Phone (area 416 335-6620). It is available limited hours during the evening (18:00 to 22:00 Eastern time for Radio and 18:00 to 06:00) E.T. via phone.) We hope to extend the available hours to 24 per day once I get a controller built for the 10 Meg hard disk we had donated to the Network!

Discussions will shortly be taking place between ourselves and the operators of a dissimilar network in the Ottawa-Montreal area with the idea of linking ourselves together. Other available gateways will be between the phone and radio nets and from radio into Datapac via a local dial-up outlet in the area.

We are still working hard on material for publication and will encourage anyone to submit text for publication thru the bulletin board. The Bibliography is growing, and we will also publish an up-to-date mailing list.

You will hear from us shortly via the "I-Frame"...

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Stu (for VE3PKT)



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